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The proposed Microsoft settlement terms are ridiculous. Microsoft still hasn't even admitted any wrongdoing or made any changes to their behavior, despite the courts finding them guilty of illegal monopolistic activities. The settlement would allow Microsoft to not only continue their illegal behavior, but would reward them with increased visibility and market share by letting them "donate" their unsold products to schools, at essentially zero cost to them! Remember, software doesn't cost anything to copy, and any old PCs have already been depreciated to zero. And where are the schools going to purchase software upgrades? The settlement also doesn't require Microsoft to pay any damages to the companies it hurt through its illegal acts.

The whole point of having a court case at all is to make Microsoft stop doing illegal things, not to reward them for it!

Please REJECT this settlement in favor of one that would actually punish Microsoft and make them change their behavior in the future.

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